IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
)	
v.)	Criminal No. 01-455-A
)	
ZACARIAS MOUSSAOUI.)	

MOTION AND MEMORANDUM TO RECONSIDER THE ORDER OF APRIL 26, 2002 CONCERNING THE FILING OF *PRO SE* MOTIONS AND TO PLACE THE *PRO SE* FILINGS UNDER SEAL AND EX PARTE

At a hearing on April 22, 2002, the defendant made an oral motion to dismiss court-appointed counsel and to proceed *pro se*. (Tr. pp. 3-4). The Court held the motion in abeyance pending a psychiatric evaluation to determine whether Mr. Moussaoui's *pro se* request was knowing, intelligent and voluntary. (Tr. 54-57). As a result, in this interim period, Mr. Moussaoui remains represented by counsel of record. Under the Court's order, those counsel have a continuing obligation to prepare the case, and to file motions and other documents according to the schedule set by this Court.¹

On April 26, 2002, following the receipt of hand written pleadings from Mr. Moussaoui, the Court ordered that Mr. Moussaoui's *pro se* filings would be placed in the public record, but not on the web site without his consent, and a consent form was sent to him. The order also provided that unless Mr. Moussaoui wrote "under seal", the pleading would be placed in the public file. (See Order, April 26, 2002). On April 29, 2002, the Court ruled on two of Mr. Moussaoui's *pro se* pleadings. (See Order, April 29, 2002).

¹ <u>See</u> April 22, 2002 Order ("Because the Court has not yet determined whether defendant is competent to waive his right to counsel, his current, court-appointed lawyers will continue to represent him. All deadlines previously set by the Court for the filing of pleadings as well as the May 31, 2002 deadline announced in court for the submission of proposed questions for the juror questionnaire remain in full force and effect.").

Because a psychiatric evaluation is pending, and Mr. Moussaoui is currently represented by counsel of record, it is respectfully requested that the Court place those filings under seal, ex parte, and withhold any rulings on them pending the Court's determination of whether he should be allowed to proceed *pro se*. It is further requested that any and all of these *pro se* documents be provided only to defense counsel of record. These documents should not be provided to the government at this time, because of the potential for an unintended waiver of other constitutional rights. If it is ultimately decided that Mr. Moussaoui may proceed *pro se*, his then relevant *pro se* pleadings, which comply with the rules of Court, can be filed and copies given to the government for response.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the foregoing Motion and Memorandum to Reconsider
the Order of April 26, 2002 Concerning the Filing of Pro Se Motions and to Place the Pro Se
Documents Under Seal and Ex Parte was served via facsimile and first class mail upon AUSA
Robert A. Spencer, AUSA David Novak, and AUSA Kenneth Karas, U.S. Attorney's Office, 2100
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